GWOU ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD SECTION TITLE: GW-400-401-1.03

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Mr. Gene Gunn U.S. EPA Region VII 901 N. 5th Street Kansas City, Kansas 66101

Dear Mr. Gunn:

WELDON SPRING SITE GROUNDWATER OPERABLE UNIT DISPUTE RESOLUTION

We are in receipt of the Regional Administrator's letter dated May 12, 2000, on the referenced subject. We appreciate the time and effort EPA has taken to make this decision and to provide a detailed explanation of the rationale that supports the decision. We are in agreement with the resolution terms as outlined in the letter and we propose to take the following steps to finalize the Record of Decision for this operable unit:

- Issue a public notice on approximately June 15, 2000, which will status the groundwater operable unit (GWOU), summarize the agreements reached during the informal dispute process, and extend the public comment period on the Proposed Plan for 30 days.
- Prepare a new draft final ROD and submit it to EPA and MDNR by July 30, 2000 for a 30 day review.
- 3) Submit the final ROD to EPA for signature no later than September 15, 2000.

If this is not consistent with your expectations, please let me know at your earliest convenience. The other dispute issues determined by EPA not to be directly connected to

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Sincerely,

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